Benefit of credit linked subsidy scheme to farmers

2127. SHRI GANDHI AZAD: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of credit linked subsidy scheme for farmers; and

(b) how many small farmers availed of benefit from the scheme for construction of cold storages during 1999-2000 and 2000-2001, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK): (a) and (b) The National Horticulture Board (NHB), an autonomous body under the Department of Agriculture & Cooperation, is implementing the following credit-linked subsidy Schemes:—

(i) Development of Commercial Horticulture through Post-Harvest Management; and

(ii) Capital Investment Subsidy Scheme for Construction/ Expansion/Modernisation of cold Storages and Storages for Horticulture Produce.

Under the Scheme mentioned at (i) above, back-ended capital investment subsidy @ not exceeding 20% of the total project cost with a maximum limit of Rs. 25.00 lakhs per project is provided. For the North Eastern/Tribal/Hilly Areas, maximum limit of subsidy is Rs. 30.00 lakhs per project. The post-harvest management/processing related components among others covered under the Scheme are as under:

- Sorting/washing/drying/waxing/grading/packing centres;
- Pre-cooling unit/cool stores;
- Specialized transport vehicle;
- Reefer vans/containers;
- Retail outlets;
- Auction platform, etc.

Under the Scheme mentioned at (ii) above, backended capital investment subsidy @25% of the project cost subject to a maximum limit of Rs. 50.00 lakhs per project and @33.33% subject to a maximum limit of Rs. 60.00 lakhs per project is provided in the case of North Eastern States by NHB through National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD), and National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC) in the case of projects involving term loan. In case of projects fully funded by

entrepreneurs from his own resources, subsidy is directly released by NHB.

The eligible organisations/promoters under the above Schemes include NGOs, Association of Growers, Partnership and Proprietary Firms, Companies, Corporations, Cooperatives, Agricultural Produce Marketing Committees, Marketing Boards/Committees and Agro Industries Corporations.

The projects sanctioned, State-wise, under Capital Investment Subsidy Scheme on Cold Storage during the years 1999-2000 and 2000-2001, are as below:—

SI. No	State	NABARD	NCDC	NHB
1.	Gujarat	24		3
2.	Orissa	3	2	—
3.	Madhya Pradesh	24	3	—
4.	Andhra Pradesh	18	—	—
5.	Maharashtra	9	1	1
6.	Punjab	24	—	—
7.	Haryana	6	—	2
8.	Tamil Nadu	14	—	—
9.	Assam	1	1	—
10.	Rajasthan	22	—	—
11.	Uttar Pradesh	91	1	4
12.	Karnataka	7	—	1
13.	Tripura	—	1	—
14	West Bengal	—	6	1
15.	Bihar	—	2	—
16.	Delhi	—	—	1
	TOTAL:	243	17	13

The proposals of Cooperative Societies sanctioned by National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC) during the years 1999-2000 and 2000-2001 have an estimated 21471 farmers of different categories as members of these cooperative Societies.

Small and marginal farmers benefited by NAIS

2128. SHRI GANDHI AZAD: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have set up an exclusive organisation for implementation of the new scheme, NAIS;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) how many small and marginal farmers were benefited from the scheme during 1999-2000, and 2000-2001, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK): (a) and (b) No Sir. However, a proposal regarding setting up of an exclusive agency for National Agricultural Insurance Scheme (NAIS) is under consideration of the Government.

(c) State-wise details of small and marginal farmers benefited are given in the Statement.

Statement

Details of State-wise and Season-wise Farmers Benefited under NAIS

Sl. No.	State/UT	Small and Marginal Farmers Benefited	
		Rabi 1999-2000	Kharif 2000
1.	Andhra Pradesh	Not implemented	97915
2.	Assam	30	40
3.	Bihar	Not implemented	14971